



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/037,976  
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Shinji MARUYAMA, Miyuki TERAMOTO and Koujirou  
SEKINE  
For: OPTICAL SWITCH USING AN OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE  
Confirmation No.: 7848  
Customer No.: 24367  
Docket No.: 15162/04220  
Filed: January 3, 2002  
Group Art Unit: 2874  
Examiner: Daniel E. Valencia

## **MS NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

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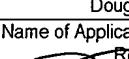
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## AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2003, which provides for a response period ending November 14, 2003.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: